



## St. Celestine School

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### YEAR 2018-2019 - Preschool - 109

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I graduated cum laude from Bradley University and began my teaching career at St. Celestine School and then took some time off to raise my own daughters. This is my 19th year at St. Celestine. I have taught third grade, Reading Resource, and I am happy to be with the 4 year old preschool program this year for our seventh year of all-day preschool!

Currently I live in Mt. Prospect with my husband, my two daughters and our sweet Goldendoodle, Winnie. My oldest daughter is in graduate school at St. Louis University in the Physical Therapy doctorate program. My younger daughter is a junior at Bradley University in Peoria, IL majoring in Special Education. She spent her summer working in New York at a camp for individuals with physical disabilities.

This summer was a quiet one with a lovely girlfriend trip to Jeckyll Island in Georgia to celebrate a big birthday coming this year... but I won't say which one. I also had the pleasure of having one daughter home for the summer so we made Tuesday our movie day and saw a new movie each week. My husband and I spent Wednesday evenings at puppy class training our new puppy Winnie. We practice her new skills and tricks and we are impressed with how smart her poodle side is and how loving her golden side is.

I am looking forward to all the new smiling faces joining our class this year! I love to spark interest in the little people and enjoy watching them form new friendships that will hopefully last a lifetime. I am happy to welcome all of you into the family that I call St. Celestine! It's going to be a great year!